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In re Application of)
SANN, et al.) Art Unit: 2856
Application No. 10/586,006) Examiner: Fayyaz, Nashmiy
Filing Date: December 11, 2006) Confirmation No. 9311
For: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR TAKING SAMPLES)))

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

February 3, 2010

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated November 3, 2009, Applicants respond as follows:

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